



Fr. John ('Jack') Henry Westhues

Dates of service: The late 1960s

Rank & role: Chaplain

Unit: Missouri National Guard

Familial link to William & Theresa: 3rd generation through Henry ("Judge") and Helen Westhues



Notable actions/deployments/stories:

As a divinity student, he was exempt from the draft during WWII, but after his ordination and studies in Rome, he joined the Missouri National Guard as a chaplain. I don't know what years he was in the Missouri Guard but he was still in it in 1967, because I remember being with him on a visit to his parents in Jefferson City about 1966 or 1967. There was speculation at that time that National Guard units might be deployed to Vietnam, and he teased his parents that he was ready to ship out.